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| 1. This communication is responsive to <u>04/27/05</u> .   |   |  |
| 2. The allowed claim(s) is/are <u>1,3-5, 7-10 and 12-14</u> .  |   |  |
| 3. The drawings filed on <u>07 August 2001</u> are accepted by the Examiner.   |   |  |
| <ul> <li>4. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority una)</li> <li>a) All b) Some* c) None of the:</li> <li>1. Certified copies of the priority documents have</li> <li>2. Certified copies of the priority documents have</li> <li>3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have</li> <li>International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).</li> <li>* Certified copies not received:</li> </ul>  | been received. been received in Application No.   |  |
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| attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT  | FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOG   | ICAL MATERIAL.   |
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## **DETAILED ACTION**

## Reasons for Allowance

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: In response to the office action dated February 22, 2005. Applicant has amended the independent claims 1, 5 and 10, based on previously objected to having allowable subject matter of claims 2, 6 and 11 are cancelled, as indicated in applicant's response of page 5.

Therefore, claims 1, 3-5, 7-10, 12-14, are allowed for reasons that the prior art searched and of record neither anticipates nor suggests the above indicated claims as amended.

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Negussie Worku whose telephone number is 571-272-7472. The examiner can normally be reached on 9am-6pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kimberly Williams can be reached on 571-272-7471. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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